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TAFT AND SHERMAN HEAD REPUBLICANS

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ROOSEVELT DELEGATES REFUSE TO VOTE

After an Uproarious Meeting Lasting for Entire Week and Featured by Bitter Contests Taft's Forces Win Out Over Those of Theodore Roosevelt.

Convention Hall, Chicago, June 22.—With nearly 350 of the Roosevelt delegates declining to vote and hastening away at adjournment time to tender to Col. Roosevelt the nomination of a new party, the fifteenth Republican National Convention, at the end of a long and tumultuous session, tonight renominated William Howard Taft, of Ohio, for president, and James Schoolcraft Sherman, of New York, for vice president.

President Taft received 561 of the 1,078 votes in the convention, or 21 more than a majority.

The decision of the Roosevelt people under direction of their leader, to refrain from voting, left no other candidate near the President. The announcement of the Taft victory was greeted with cheering from his adherents and groans and hisses from the opposition.

When it became absolutely certain early today that Mr. Taft would be nominated without great difficulty, the leaders in control of the Convention mate, his companion on the ticket in 1908.

A One-Man Race.

All others dropped from the race and Mr. Sherman was the only candidate placed before the Convention. A motion from New Hampshire to make the nomination by acclamation was declared out of order. There were many scattering votes on the roll call that ensued.

The convention, amid much confusion, adjourned sine die.

At no time was there an indication of a walk-out of Roosevelt delegates. They expressed their revolt by silence. In the confusion just before adjournment a resolution was adopted giving the national committee power to declare vacant the seat of any man on the committee refusing to support the nominees of the regular convention of 1912.

Sherman's vote was 597.

The revolt of many Roosevelt delegates in the convention was open from the moment the permanent roll, containing the names of contested delegates, was approved.

A "valedictory" statement was read in behalf of Col. Roosevelt asking that his name be not presented and that his delegates sit in mute protest against all further proceedings.

Loyal to the Colonel.

A great majority of the Roosevelt delegates in the Illinois and all in the Missouri and Idaho delegations declined to follow this advice, but Col. Roosevelt's sway over the delegations from California, Kansas, Maine, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and West Virginia was all but absolute.

Most of the delegates from these States announced their purpose of helping to give Mr. Roosevelt an independent nomination.

The split in the convention occasioned no surprise. It was but fulfillment of predictions that had been made during the last few days.

The closing scenes of the convention were marked by counter demonstrations for Taft and Col. Roosevelt.

The first test vote after the announcement "valedictory" came on the adoption of the party platform. The affirmative vote was 666. Roosevelt delegates present and not voting numbered 343.

There were 53 noes, 36 of them from the LaFollette States of Wisconsin and North Dakota.

Senator LaFollette was placed before the convention, but Col. Roosevelt's wishes were carried out by his followers and they remained silent during the call of the States for nomination.

On the voting for President the Roosevelt delegates again, as a rule, remained silent.

COL. ROOSEVELT HEADS NEW PARTY

Bolts the Regular Republican Convention.

APPEAL IS MADE TO NORTH AND SOUTH

Following Complete Defeat Col. Roosevelt Claims that He was Cheated out of the Nomination by Fraud and Therefore not Bound by Convention's Action.

Chicago, June 22.—Former President Theodore Roosevelt was nominated for president on an independent ticket tonight in the dying hours of the Republican national convention in which he had met defeat.

The followers of Col. Roosevelt gathered in Orchestra hall, less than a mile from the Coliseum, and pledged their support to their former president.

In accepting the nomination Col. Roosevelt appealed to the people of all sections, regardless of party affiliations, to stand with the founders of the new party, one of whose cardinal principles was to be "Thou shalt not steal."

The informal nomination of Col. Roosevelt was said to be chiefly for the purpose of effecting a temporary organization. Beginning tomorrow, when a call is to be issued for a State convention in Illinois, the work of organization will be pushed forward rapidly, state by state. At a later time, probably early in August, it is intended that a national convention shall be held.

Willing to Step Aside.

Col. Roosevelt in accepting the nomination tonight, said he did so understanding that he would willingly step aside if it should be the desire of the new party, when organized to select another standard bearer.

The speech nominating Col. Roosevelt was made by Comptroller William A. Prendergast of New York, who was to have presented the colonel's name to the convention. Dean William Draper Lewis of the University of Pennsylvania law school, who was to make one of the seconding speeches, delivered tonight the address which he had prepared for the Republican convention.

Representatives of 22 states composed the notification committee which informed Col. Roosevelt of his nomination and in a sense stood as sponsors for the movement.

Opens With Song.

When the hall had been packed the entire audience rose and joined in singing "America," after which the Roosevelt delegates greeted Gov. Johnson as he opened the formal part of the meeting.

Gov. Johnson described the campaign of Col. Roosevelt against the bosses and declared that the delegates assembled proposed "to see that Mr. Roosevelt gets his reward."

He then introduced Senator Clapp. Senator Clapp of Minnesota read the resolution nominating Col. Roosevelt it was adopted with a cheer. The resolution follows:

"We delegates and alternates to the Republican national convention represent a majority of the voters of the Republican party of the nation, and representing a clear majority of the delegates and alternates legally elected to the convention, in meeting assembled, make the following declaration:

"We were delegated by a majority of the Republican voters of our respective districts and States to nominate Theodore Roosevelt in the Republican national convention as the candidate of our party for president and thereby carry out the will of the voters as expressed at the primary.

We have earnestly and conscientiously striven to execute the commission entrusted to us by the party voters.

"For five days we have been denied justice in the national convention. This result has been accomplished by the action of the now defunct national committee placing upon the preliminary roll of the convention, and thereby seating upon the floor of the convention a sufficient number of fraudulently elected delegates to control the proceedings of the convention.

These fraudulent delegates, once seated,

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NEWS OF THE WEEK IN TOWN OF CLINTON

Summer Season Ushered in by Commencements.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS ON POPULAR PEOPLE

In Spite of the Lack of Activity in Educational and Church Organizations, the Summer Season will be Made Gay by Social Gatherings on every Hand.

Clinton, June 25.—With the ending of the orphanage commencement Wednesday night the summer vacation set in in earnest in Clinton. But the summer promises to be anything except dull and quiet socially. Receptions, club meetings, picnics, house parties have filled the past two weeks.

Notable among social affairs was the Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Mahaffey's celebration on Friday evening, of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding. The occasion was a most enjoyable one to a large number of guests. A handsome array of silver gifts offered evidence of the popularity of the celebrants. Noteworthy among these was a chest of silver presented by the Methodist congregation.

On Friday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. G. A. Copeland, Mrs. G. A. Copeland, Mrs. J. I. Copeland and Mrs. M. A. Hays held what was possibly the largest reception ever given in Clinton. The house was thronged with handsomely dressed ladies. All the appointments were charming. The decorations were masses of nasturtiums everywhere and in the dining-room especially a striking effect was attained by the lavish use of them.

Mrs. Dillard Jacobs, who is noted for her original entertainments has issued clever invitations for Wednesday morning to a large number of ladies.

Miss Clara Duckett has issued invitations to the members of the Actacon book club and a number of other guests for Friday evening.

Two house parties have been in progress the past week and their days and evenings have been filled with merry-makings. At the home of the Misses Spencer was a party composed of Misses Elise and Marjorie Spencer, Julia and Eliza Neville, Dorothy Owens, and Frances Garvin. At the home of Miss Nancy Owens were Misses Virginia and Julia Owens, Evie and Kate Shands, Mary King, and Ame Copeland.

Miss Jessie May Mahaffey entertained the Junior Embroidery club Saturday afternoon.

Personal Mention.

Prof. and Mrs. A. E. Spencer left immediately after college closed for a western trip. They will visit Yosemite Falls, Yellowstone Park, California, and other points of interest. The greater part of the summer they will be guests of their foster-brother, Mr. John Dubuis, in Oregon, where he has established himself successfully as a civil engineer.

Mr. H. C. Leaman has resigned his position with the Clinton pharmacy to accept another at Whitmire. His many friends in Clinton are loath to part with him.

The Misses Burgees leave today for West Virginia, where they will spend the summer with their brother, Mr. William Burgess.

A number of Clantonians went to Atlanta on the excursion today.

The pupils and teachers of the Thornwell orphanage are leaving every day now.

Miss Ella Bell, who has been a teacher in the orphanage a number of years, has resigned on account of her health. This is a severe loss to the institution, as Miss Bell is personally and professionally an exceptionally able and conscientious woman.

Mr. Will Bea who has completed his second year in the medical school of the University of Virginia is spending the summer in Kentucky in the employ of the Southern Fruit Growers' association.

Mr. Clair Hays who has completed his second year in the medical school of Columbia University has returned for the summer to New York to accept a very flattering appointment in the children's hospital.

Misses Louise and Rowena Jones are visiting their grandmother in Co-

SENATORIAL RACE OPENED YESTERDAY

N. B. Dial and W. J. Talbert Present.

SENATOR TILLMAN NOT AMONG THEM

First Meeting was a Tame Affair, the Candidates Satisfying Themselves with Stating their Platforms—Only Apparent Difference is on Currency Question.

Columbia, S. C., June 25.—Before an audience of not more than 100 men the initial meeting of the candidates for the United States senate was held in the court house this morning. Senator Tillman was absent from the meeting, being in attendance on the national Democratic convention which opens today in Baltimore. Col. Jasper W. Talbert and N. B. Dial, the other two candidates in the race, did not attack the record of the senator but contented themselves with stating their own qualifications and the present ill health of Senator Tillman.

Neither candidate attacked the public record of the senior senator, but said that it was not right for a public official to offer for reelection when he knew that he was no longer able to discharge the duties of the office. Mr. Dial said that the senator's desire to "die in harness" was for purely sentimental reasons and should not have weight with the public. Col. Talbert in speaking of free passes for public officials, said, "Because of free passes some men want to die in harness for sentimental reasons."—The Record.

The senatorial campaign opened in Columbia yesterday, according to the program issued some time ago. The candidates are Sen. Tillman, for reelection, W. Jasper Talbert and N. B. Dial. Sen. Tillman will not attempt to make the circuit on account of his health. Mr. Talbert and Mr. Dial will be the only two to make speeches.

The senatorial party will be here July 30th. Candidates for congress and for solicitor are also to speak on this circuit, but as Con. Johnson and Solicitor Cooper are unopposed, they will in all probability not make addresses.

REVIVAL MEETING CLOSED.

Numbers Added to the Churches and General Awakening of Interest in Church Affairs.

The revival meeting which has been going on at the Baptist church for the past several weeks came to a close Monday evening, after a large number of converts had been added to the Baptist church and also other churches in the city. The meetings have been largely attended both mornings and evenings and an increased spirit of religious fervor has been manifest. All of the services were led by Rev. W. L. Walker, who proved to be a very interesting as well as convincing expounder of the gospel. The singing was conducted by Mr. E. L. Woelagel, who is an able leader and the possessor of a beautiful voice.

Whole Family in Jail.

Sheriff Owings is entertaining behind the county's prison bars one George Woodruff, wife and five children. George broke his labor contract some time ago and skipped with his entire family to Inman. Sheriff Owings got wind of where he was and had him brought back to the county. To get him, the whole crowd had to be brought along.

lumbus, Ga.

Miss Emily Phillips is visiting Mrs. Charles Akerman in Macon, Ga.

Misses Marion and Emmie McCrary are visiting in Greenville and Anderson.

Misses Doris Lyon and Maud Ellis are visiting Miss Clarice Townsend in Anderson.

Miss Sallie Bell McMillan is visiting Miss Galloway in Manning.

Miss Laurie Aull will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Boozer, in Montreat.

Mrs. W. G. Neville and Miss Virginia Neville are visiting in Abbeville.

NEAR-BEER SALOON GRANTED INJUNCTION

Permanent Injunction to be Argued Thursday.

ORDINANCE CLAIMED UNCONSTITUTIONAL

The Near-Beer Saloon, Which was Ordered Closed June 15th is Again in Operation Under a Temporary Injunction Ordered by Judge Gary last Week.

B. B. Hill, who has been running a near-beer saloon in this city for the past few months and whose establishment was ordered closed Saturday night, the 15th of this month, appeared through his attorneys, before Judge Gary in the court house Wednesday morning and prayed for an injunction to prevent the city council interfering with his sale of non-intoxicating liquors. A temporary injunction was granted and the city ordered to show cause at Greenwood, Thursday, June 27th, why a permanent order of injunction should not be issued pendente lite. Gwynn & Hannon, of Spartanburg, represented the plaintiff and R. E. Babb, of this city represented the city. Since the order was granted the near-beer saloon has been in operation.

It will be interesting to note that if the permanent injunction is issued several other like establishments will likely be opened up here. At the regular monthly meeting of council when the establishment was ordered closed several other applications were made for licenses. If the injunction is granted it will mean that the bars will be let down, in so far as near-beer goes, and that anyone desiring to open up such a place will be allowed to do so, unless other restrictions are ordered by council. Like situations have already been ruled upon by circuit judges in this state and the contention of the near-beer dealers have been upheld. A notable case was that of the near-beer dealers in Spartanburg, where Judge Sease granted an injunction, as is being prayed for in this complaint. In Spartanburg it is now possible to buy near-beer so near to the real article that the difference can only be detected by the very highest authority.

The complaint is as follows:

COMPLAINT.
State of South Carolina,
County of Laurens,
In Circuit Court.

B. B. Hill, Plaintiff,
against
City of Laurens, C. M. Babb, Mayor
and W. S. Bagwell, Chief of Police,
defendants.

The plaintiff complaining of the defendants, alleges:

First. Upon information and belief that the City of Laurens is a municipal corporation duly chartered and existing under and by virtue of the laws of this State, and as such is governed by a Mayor and six Aldermen, to wit: Mayor, C. M. Babb; Aldermen, J. Lee Langston, J. B. Brooks, N. B. Dial, F. P. McGowan, J. E. Philpot, T. C. Switzer, who were duly elected and qualified, and as such constitute and are known as the "City Council of Laurens," and are duly authorized and empowered "to sue and be sued, plead and be pleaded," and that W. S. Bagwell is the Chief of Police of the said City of Laurens.

Second. That the plaintiff is now and at the times hereinafter mentioned a resident and citizen of the said City of Laurens and for a considerable length of time, just past, until the 15th day of June, 1912, has been engaged openly and notoriously, as his only and principal business, in the sale of soft drinks and non-intoxicating beverages, containing alcohol, popularly known as "near-beer," from the sale of which he has derived a living.

Third. That although the City of Laurens has recognized the sale of non-intoxicating beverages as a legitimate occupation and have been receiving from the plaintiff sums of money as a license for selling the same, plaintiff on the 15th day of June 1912, was ordered by the Mayor and Chief of Police of the said City of Laurens, to discontinue the sale of

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ALTON B. PARKER DEFEATS W. J. BRYAN

Elected Chairman of Democratic Convention.

JOHN W. KERN REFUSES TO RUN

The First Battle of the Convention Goes Against the "Peerless Leader"—Nomination for President will Come Thursday, Unless Unforeseen Delays Arise.

Baltimore, June 25.—Wm. J. Bryan lost his fight for a progressive candidate of the Democratic national convention today when he was defeated for temporary chairman of the convention by Alton B. Parker.

Mr. Bryan first nominated Senator Kern to oppose Parker. The latter declined the honor and named Mr. Bryan to make the fight. The Nebraska made an eloquent plea "for the cause he had represented for 16 years," but it was unavailing.

The debate preceding the roll call threw the convention into wild disorder.

The final vote was: Parker 579; Bryan 506; O'Gorman 4.—The Record. (By The Associated Press.)

Baltimore, June 25.—After the conclusion of Cardinal Gibbons' prayer, Chairman Mack directed that the names of the temporary officials be read and that of Parker was received with a great wave of cheering.

In the midst of it Bryan arose and during another great burst of applause nominated Kern, of Indiana, for temporary chairman.

Convention Hall, Baltimore, June 25.—A wreath of decorations in white and gold and national colors greeted the early arrivals on the scene of the Democratic national convention.

Thousands of yards of bunting had transformed the huge brick walled armory into a place of beauty.

The crowd came slowly and when the band began to play at 11 o'clock the galleries and guests' sections held only a scattered few.

Everyone was expecting a great demonstration when Mr. Bryan appeared in the hall.

The committee in charge of the convention arrangements on the floor gave good seats to states having avowed presidential candidates in the field.

To the right of the main aisle and directly in front of the chair was Missouri, the home state of Speaker Clark, to the left was New Jersey with Woodrow Wilson, a favorite son. Back of Missouri came Ohio with Governor Harmon in the field. Back of New Jersey was Alabama, the home of Oscar Underwood.

The first cheer of the convention went to Governor Wilson, when the Texas delegation entered waving a Wilson banner.

Cardinal Gibbons entered the hall at 11:45.

Bryan slipped into the convention hall by one of the side entrances and was on the platform some minutes without being recognized by the waiting throngs. He shook hands with Cardinal Gibbons, who was waiting to pronounce the opening invocation.

Chairman Mack, of the national committee, took his place at the presiding officer's desk a few minutes before noon. At 12:16 he called the convention to order and practically quieted the uneasy and noisy throngs. The Connecticut delegation tried to start a Baldwin demonstration but without success. The band then played "Dixie" and a great cheer swept the hall.

"The Star Spangled Banner" brought the throng to its feet.

Judge Parker entered just after the proceedings opened accompanied by the New York delegation. There was little demonstration.

Continued disorder delayed the opening proceedings and Chairman Mack appealed to the delegates to take their seat and clear the aisles.

The Texas delegates with stentorian voice shouted to Chairman Mack that 300 delegates were still in line outside the hall and that the convention should not proceed until they could get in.

At 12:30 practically all delegates were in their places and appeals were again made for order.